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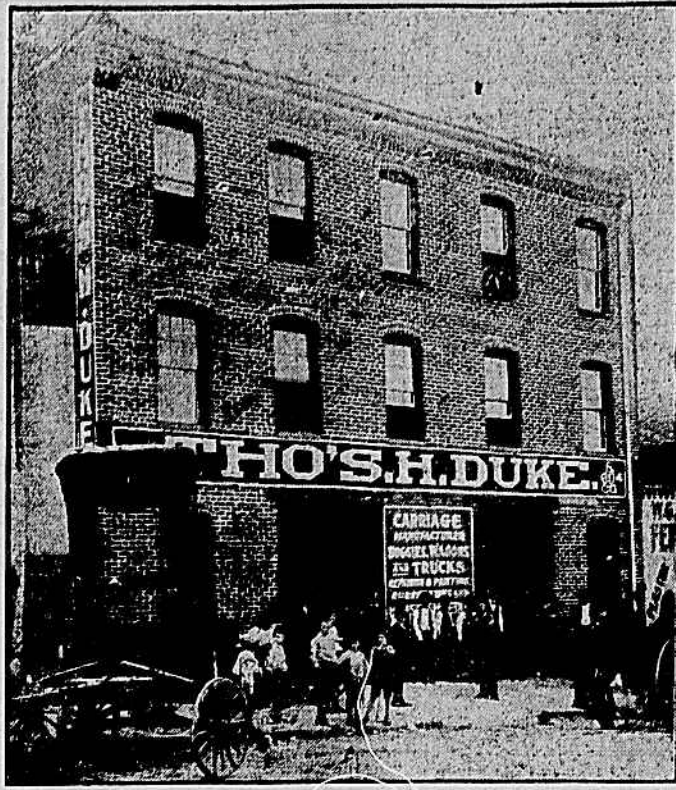
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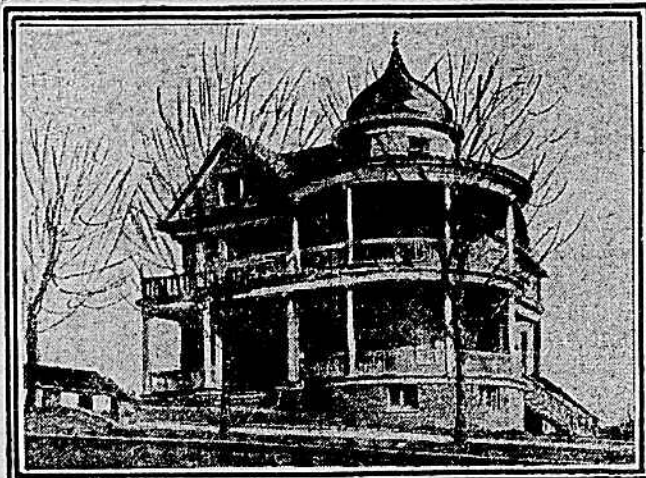
HANDSOME HOMES AND SCHOOL OF CHASE CITY



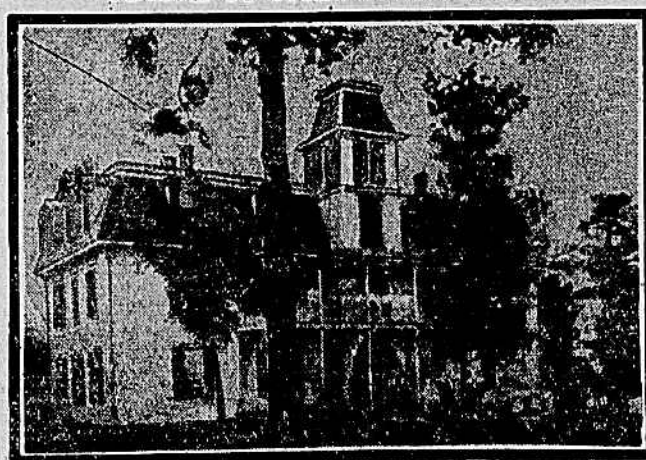
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SOUTH SIDE FEMALE INST.

CHASE CITY IS THE IDEAL HOME TOWN

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efforts to compromise on a dispensary have signally failed. The Episcopal, Presbyterian, Baptist and Methodist Churches here have splendid little houses of worship; all are supplied with good preachers, and the congregations are always large. All of the churches have among their membership societies for the advancement of mission enterprises and charitable institutions.

Educational Advantages. The founders of the town and the men who followed them in official positions have ever seen to it that the public schools are kept in line with those of other Virginia and Southern towns, and encouragement has always been offered private educational institutions.

The town has always had a good public school, but the people were not satisfied to be behind any place in the State in the matter of a school building, and they have just taxed themselves for a new High School building, costing \$15,000, and it is the equal in the matter of beauty and equipment of any high school building to be found anywhere in a town of this size. The school population is about 325.

In the Baptist Church. The Southside Institute is a female school under Baptist auspices, and is considered one among the best in the string of schools and colleges now operated by that denomination in Virginia.

It is to Your Interest.

A most remarkable fact, if one stops to consider it, is the rapidity with which interest amounts up. If you have interest to pay you are in position to realize this. You find that the paying of the interest itself, let alone the principal, is a considerable item—and a very important feature, too.

When you have an account in The Savings Bank of Richmond you are on the other side of the proposition—that is, you receive the interest and the bank pays it. You are in quite another position. The bank occupies, in a measure, your former position. You get the benefit. Your savings are not only in the safest possible place, but are earning money for you.

You know that your money is in the care of a large number of the most successful business and professional men, who are men of the highest moral standing. You have the satisfaction of knowing that your money is in an institution that has an enviable record of twenty years, during which it has paid out hundreds of thousands of dollars in interest to depositors and has helped hundreds of persons to become successful. Assets, \$1,900,000. Examined regularly.

gina. On its rolls are the names of sixty-odd girls who come from Mecklenburg and adjoining counties. Professor Hugh Godwin Noffsinger, a graduate of Richmond College, and an educator of large experience and success, is the principal, and he is assisted by an able faculty.

About twenty years ago, by direction and under the support of Concord Baptist Association, Southside Academy was opened as a school for boys. Two or three years later it was deemed advisable to admit girls also, and the co-educational plan was continued until 1906.

The board of trustees then decided that the school should be an institution for girls only, except in the primary department, to which boys under twelve years of age are admitted, and the name has been changed to "Southside Female Institute."

Under a charter granted by the Corporation Commission of Virginia, the institution has become a part of the system of schools belonging to the Baptists of Virginia, and is controlled by a board of trustees nominated by the denomination.

The property consists of three large and conveniently arranged buildings on a beautiful and well-shaded campus of five acres. New furniture has been provided and extensive improvements made on the grounds and buildings.

"The aim," says Professor Noffsinger, "is to make the school the best of its kind, where girls and young ladies may receive thorough culture under Christian influence. Its ideal is a pure character, a trained mind and a sound body."

dren, and her school is very popular. The patronage is local. Near the town is located the Thynne Institute for colored people. This school is one of a string that extends through North Carolina, and is under the missionary department of the United Presbyterian Church. The land and buildings here are valued at \$30,000. Besides the educational department, an industrial and agricultural department is maintained, and it is likely that this is the most valuable branch of the institute. In this department young colored women are taught to sew, to cook and to do all sorts of things that will make them useful in life, while the boys are taught scientific farming and given practical knowledge for the institute has ample lands for demonstration.

Life at the Mecklenburg. The social life of Chase City is all that one could wish. The people are hospitable and neighborly and know how to enjoy life in a social way. The secret orders flourish and the famous Mecklenburg Mineral Springs, by bringing splendid people here from all over the country, add life and social enjoyment.

In the summer the hotel is well filled with men and women who, while they are seeking rest and better health, both of which they find, know how to enjoy themselves. The entertainments and the dances at the Mecklenburg are of the highest quality. In the fall and winter seasons the little army of health seekers at the Mecklenburg is reinforced by an even larger army of all-round sports. It may use such an expression, men and women, too, who love the fox chase, love to shoot birds, turkeys and other game with which the fields and the woods are well stocked.

It is hard to determine which of the two classes have the better time at the Mecklenburg, the spring and winter visitors or the fall and winter pilgrims. Both classes enjoy life there, and a part of the enjoyment is found in mingling with the good old Virginia people who live in Chase City and the surrounding section.

From what is told last week about the business enterprise of the people and the successes they are making in a business way, it is easy to infer that they live in good houses. There are in Chase City as many handsome homes as are to be found in any town of its size in the State.

Considered from any point of view, from a social, moral or commercial standpoint, I know of no town in the South better to live in than this one. And then when the healthfulness of the region and educational advantages are considered Chase City may be set down as an ideal home town.

FRANK S. WOODSON.

WAYNESBORO ON BUILDING NEWS

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thrifty farmers of Pennsylvania Dutch and Scotch-Irish extractions, who are expert farmers, and whose sterling qualities stand for the building of this section of the Valley and its development.

There have been several parties as home-seekers from different States in Waynesboro with the view of looking over farms, and the local real estate agent reports sales for the last thirty days of four farms aggregating 465 acres.

Crop Outlook Good. Crop indications in this section are favorable, and the recent rains have insured an average crop of wheat, rye, oats, corn and hay. The beef cattle, sheep and lambs on the blue-grass grazing lands indicate that this section is rapidly developing as to quality and quantity of its beef cattle and sheep, which is due to the low price of grazing lands and its nearness to the large markets of the East. Waynesboro is four hours from both Washington, D. C., and Richmond, Va., five hours from Baltimore, Md., six hours from Newport News, nine hours from Philadelphia, Pa., and eleven hours from New York.

The fruit growers in this section, who own commercial apple orchards, report an average crop of fruit which was not damaged materially by the late frosts.

The growing of Irish potatoes in the deep line soil of the Waynesboro section has developed rapidly among farmers, and there is an increase this year of these potatoes. Irish potatoes sold last year at from 50 to 75 cents per bushel in the local markets, delivered direct from the field.

Among the newcomers to Augusta county is an expert apple grower, who sold his large orchard in Botetourt county and purchased 97 acres near Waynesboro, with a bearing orchard of 14 acres, and he proposes to plant a large apple orchard on the remainder of this land.

Another farmer, who came here from West Virginia and located on a farm near Waynesboro, states that he found no land of equal value to this in his travels, extending over four different States, while he was looking for a farm.

The farmers and the local Board of Trade have united in a vigorous campaign for good roads, and the outlook is bright for better roads in the Waynesboro section in the near future.

Waynesboro offers inducements to manufacturing enterprises on account of the excellent shipping facilities, its nearness to the coal fields, iron mines, furnaces, limestone and timber lands, and the low cost of living, on account

Chase City, Va.

Largest town in Mecklenburg; one of the richest and most productive counties in Virginia.

Heart of fine timber section. Splendid trucking lands. Many industries already flourishing. Others wishing to get close to raw material wanted.

Two strong banks. School and church facilities ample.

CHASE CITY invites new enterprises of all kinds, and has local capital waiting to join with outside capital.

Correspondence concerning the town and the rich farming and lumber country surrounding is solicited.

THE CHASE CITY COMMERCIAL CLUB.
R. D. PATTERSON, President. N. H. WILLIAMS, Vice-President.
S. E. SPAULDING, Secretary and Treasurer.

of reasonable rents, and closeness of the city to the productive farming section.

The Waynesboro High School closed a very successful session last week, and the indications are for an increased enrollment for all grades for the coming year.

The commencement exercises of the Fishburne Military School will be held from May 25th to June 1st, and the weekly dress parade and the music of the Fishburne Military Band attract large crowds to the parade grounds of this military school, which is situated near the center of Waynesboro.

The recently opened four-story brick hotel with all modern improvements is constantly filled with traveling men and home-seekers.

TRADE OF RICHMOND FOR THE YEAR RECENTLY CLOSED

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600,000 pounds of tobacco annually. It has one of the largest cigar and cigarette factories in the world, and the larger part of the finest cut plug tobacco sold in the United States is manufactured here.

The Imperial Tobacco Company, Limited, of the United Kingdom, has its head American offices here, and also has the Japanese government. Many of the European governments buy their tobacco here through their local representatives. The sales of tobacco annually in Richmond are about 60,000,000 pounds, which consists of burley, dark leaf and light tobaccos grown in Virginia, North and South Carolina.

Iron Industries.—The situation of Richmond, combined with the great water power derived from the James River, has made it an important center for the manufacture of iron and machinery. From largest locomotives to nails and horseshoes, as well as shells for the United States government. The iron trade here is growing rapidly from year to year.

Immigration.—In October, 1906, a movement was started in Virginia, under the auspices of the State Department

Consumption of British Products.

In Richmond many British products are in evidence for consumption locally and distribution elsewhere, among which may be mentioned cloth, linen, hats, caps, saddlery, biscuits, jams, pickles, potted meats, Irish and Scotch whiskey, cutlery and tools.

Railways in Virginia (Steam).

In Virginia there are now 5,321 miles of railway, of which 3,409 miles are main line, and 2,112 miles are sidings. New line constructed during the past year was 140 miles (thirty miles main line, 110 miles siding). The cost of railways and equipment in Virginia has been \$30,142,525 (\$150,712,625), and the average cost per mile has been \$3,596 (\$47,989), and of equipment \$35 (\$4,775). The total earnings of Virginia railways in 1906 were \$3,000,000 (\$45,000,000), showing an increase of 15.07 per cent over those of 1905. The earnings per mile were \$2,163 (\$10,840). The total working expenses amounted to \$5,600,000 (\$28,000,000), the expenses per mile being \$1,349 (\$6,745). The percentage of expenses to earnings was 22.22. There are 38,800 employees on railways in Virginia, whose average daily wages are 7 shillings 4 pence (\$1.85).

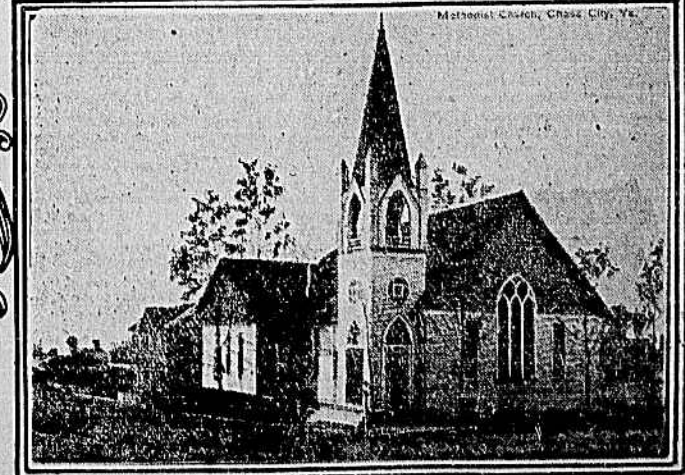
Electric Railways.

In 1906 427 miles of electric railways were being worked in Virginia, of which twenty miles had been constructed during the year. The total cost of these railways has been \$5,000,000 (\$30,000,000). The earnings amounted to \$619,144 (\$3,095,720), and the working expenses to \$427,345 (\$2,136,725). The total number of employees on electric railways is 2,791, with an average daily wage of 7 shillings (\$1.75).

TWO OF CHASE CITY'S PRETTY CHURCH BUILDINGS



BAPTIST CHURCH



METHODIST CHURCH